## SPEAKER'S BIO



## RACHEL D. LEV COMMISSIONER FEDERAL MEDIATION AND CONCILIATION SERVICE

Commissioner Rachel D. Lev is a mediator with the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service based out of Northern California.

Mediation, Facilitation, and Problem-Solving:

Rachel mediates and facilitates problem-solving and the resolution of disputes between unions and employers in the private, public, and federal sectors and across a variety of industries. She regularly mediates collective bargaining negotiations, grievances, and other employment and discrimination matters.

Rachel also facilitates constructive problem-solving, committee work, communications improvement, and relationship-building dialogues. In addition to traditional in-person processes, Rachel is experienced in utilizing and customizing a variety of technology-based tools and platforms to serve clients' unique problem-solving, dispute resolution, and relationship-building goals.

## Training and Skills-Building:

Rachel designs and delivers trainings and skills-building workshops on an array of subjects relevant to labor-management relations, including conflict resolution, negotiation skills, mediation, steward-supervisor trainings, interest-based problem solving/bargaining, labor-management committees, communications, 'train the trainer' courses, relationship-by-objective programs, and contract administration.

## Background:

Rachel joined FMCS after having spent multiple years working as a labor lawyer in California and Washington, DC, representing clients in collective bargaining, arbitration, NLRB and Public Employment Relations Board matters, and in state and federal court. Her experience spans multiple industries, including healthcare, transportation, service and maintenance, universities, maritime, non-profits, multi-national organizations, and government. During law school and business school, Rachel also worked as a law clerk for a Georgia Superior Court Judge and with various in-house legal departments.

Rachel holds a Bachelor Degree (Political Economy of Industrial Societies and Spanish and Portuguese) from the University of California, Berkeley, and a Juris Doctorate/ Master of Business Administration from Emory University.